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Title: **MASSIVELY PARALLEL SIGNATURE SEQUENCING
BY LIGATION OF ENCODED ADAPTORS**

Express Abandonment under 37 C.F.R. 1.138


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Sir:

Applicant by their undersigned attorney hereby expressly abandon the above-identified application in favor of the continuation-in-part application, U.S. Serial No. 08/946,138 filed 7 October 1997.

This abandonment is made without prejudice and is not intended as an abandonment of the subject matter disclosed and/or claimed in the above application or acquiescence in any of the rejections made in the above application.

Respectfully submitted,


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